

LOBBY CORPS MINUTES
Meeting #20
February 23, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lendrum called the meeting to order at 12:31pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Dale Lendrum (Chair/Secretary for System-Wide Affairs)
Alex Bellenger (Secretary for City Affairs)
Hilda Jurado (Senate Rep)
Daniel Gomez (Senate Rep)
Jonathan Wanless (Senate Rep)
Danielle Carancho (Vice Chair/Student-at-Large)
Genesis Jara (Student-at-Large)
Emely Lopez (Student-at-Large)
Christina Wong (Student-at-Large)
Autumn Farmer (AVP Legislative & External Relations Designee)

Voting Members Absent

Logan Vournas (ASI Vice President)

Non-voting Members Present

Ms. Lindsay San Miguel (Asst. Director of Government Affairs & Initiatives)

Non-voting Members Absent

Guests

Maggie White (CSU Student Trustee)

3. APPROVAL /CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Jurado (S) Wanless to approve the Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #20, February 23, 2017 as amended

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 10-0-0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

A. Lobby Corps, Meeting #16, January 26, 2017

(M) Jurado (S) Wanless to approve Lobby Corps, Meeting #16, January 26, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 10-0-0

B. Lobby Corps, Meeting #17, February 2, 2017

(M) Gomez (S) Jurado to approve Lobby Corps, Meeting #17, February 2, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 10-0-0

C. Lobby Corps, Meeting #18, February 9, 2017

(M) Gomez (S) Jurado to approve Lobby Corps, Meeting #18, February 9, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 10-0-0

D. Lobby Corps, Meeting #19, February 16, 2017

(M) Gomez (S) Jurado to approve Lobby Corps, Meeting #19, February 16, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 10-0-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Lendrum introduced CSU Student Trustee Maggie White. She is here today for a “Meet & Greet” to speak about the Potential Tuition Increase.

Ms. White spoke about the open student trustee position. She explained her position on the board and the four committees she’s currently on. She’ll be done with her second term in June so they’re looking for her replacement. If anyone is interested in applying, the application process will take place March 1st – April 1st. CSSA is in charge of conducting the process.

Chair Lendrum invited the board to attend the CSU Tuition Forum taking place in the Sunset Lounge at @2pm today.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair/ Secretary for System Wide Affairs

Chair Lendrum reported the following:

- Due to weather conditions multiple campuses were unable to attend the CSSA meeting at San Francisco State this past weekend. Thus, the Social Justice & Equity Committee, Finance Committee, and Committee on Student Trustees were unable to make quorum.
- Because of the lack of quorum two action items were struck from the agenda: (1) Ethnic Studies Resolution (2) Resolution in Support of Undocumented Students in the CSU system.
- Legislature of the year was awarded to Assemblymember Shirley Bever
- The committee board voted to support Federal Legislation SB3542 Bridge Act, and State Legislation SB1654.
- The executive committee voted to support the middle class scholarship.
- The advocacy committee voted to have CSSA cosponsor a walkout but the board took the recommendation to host an event instead called “Make CSU Students a Priority” instead on May 2nd or May 3rd in regards to the tuition increase since some campuses may not be comfortable with doing a walkout.

B. Vice Chair

- No report

C. Secretary for City Affairs

Secretary Bellenger reported the following:

- City session at the City Council on affordable and workforce housing. One of the topics was student housing, working on behalf of student needs and trying to encourage affordable housing around the university.
- There is a Municipal and Special Election on March 7, 2017 for County Measure H which is aimed to prevent and stopping homelessness by raising the sales tax ¼ cent.

D. AVP Legislative & External Relations

Ms. Farmer reported the following:

- Vice President Vournas and President Flores will be joining the delegation on March 14th for Advocacy Day along with President Conoley and Terri Carbaugh.
- Ms. Farmer reported she has not heard back from Kevin De Leon’s office but she placed a call with the scheduler, Norma. If anyone needs to get in contact with them, it is best to reach out to either Norma or Alyssa in the office who normally conducts the follow ups.
- Ms. Farmer replied back to Chair Lendrum’s request for CHESS meetings. She will assist in getting the schedulers information. Also, Terri provided the web link assembly.ca.gov/dailyfile which has all the daily file hosts information in regards to the assembly and senate.

E. Senate

Senator Jurado reported the following:

- Senate passed the third reading of the Opposing Payments Peaks resolution, as well as the first reading for the resolution supporting Project Rebound. Senate also is in the process of reading the resolution to re-evaluate the Beach Pride referendum.
- Senate elected a new Senator-at-Large, Kishan Patel, and confirmed the following positions:
 - Senator of the College of Health and Human Services, Leen Almahdi
 - Secretary of Sustainability, Nhan Tran
 - Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Danny Helmy
 - Secretary of Women and Gender Equity Affairs, Gus Krider

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Proposed Tuition Increase

Chair Lendrum shared the new publicity cards we received from ASI COMM featuring a place to sign on the back where students can post their comments, thoughts and/or concerns. The board will be passing these out in future tabling sessions. Secretary Bellenger has shared the tabling schedule on the Facebook page. We will be tabling up until the CSU BOT vote from February 27-March 20th.

Senator Gomez shared the events that will take place this upcoming March leading up until the vote. Things are still in the process of being finalized, he will have more information at our next meeting Thursday, March 2. The Opposing Peak Payments resolution will also be used during our lobby visits, which is similar to AB393. More information will be available at our CHESS training this upcoming Saturday, February 25.

Secretary Bellenger stated that the phone banking schedule went out in an email blast this morning. The schedule will have people alternate CSU BOT calls every other week so the phone banker can develop rapport with the legislature's offices.

Chair Lendrum inquired if Guest, CSU BOT Maggie White had information where we can get the CSU BOT contact information and also if she's heard anything about the discussion of the vote being moved to May. Ms. White informed the board she has not heard anything regarding the vote being pushed back. Because of the timing, it is required that the vote needs to take place a certain number of months before the semester starts. She acknowledged that there is a way she can be incorrect about this item topic but from her knowledge the vote is still scheduled to take place this March. She also informed the board she is not allowed to give out the information regarding the CSU BOT members contact info because it is confidential, but she will try to help publicly anyway she can.

Senator Gomez added if anyone has any questions regarding the tuition increase please don't hesitate to ask to get information.

B. Discussion Item: CHESS Visit Assignments

Chair Lendrum stated we currently have seven scheduled appointments for Sacramento on March 13. Chair Lendrum informed the board that as we secure our meetings to please update the Google drive.

C. Discussion Item: CSSA Advocacy Day

Chair Lendrum reported Legislative Affairs is looking into having its CSSA Advocacy Day either April 24th or 25th. Chair Lendrum asked if someone from the board would like to attend Advocacy Day with him in Sacramento to please let him know. More information will be provided next week.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Student Trustee Search

Chair Lendrum reported that the Student Trustee Committee will be holding a Zoom meeting sometime next week. We are in the process of finalizing everything March 1st so that the search can begin. Information will be provided within the upcoming weeks.

9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

There were no closing comments.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chair Lendrum adjourned the meeting at 1:12pm.